Satellite Broadcast

On November 22, 2002, from 1:00 –3:3 P.M. EST, the Center for Medicare and State Operations will broadcast a two and ½ hour presentation via satellite and Internet web cast that will discuss the proposed OASIS Burden Reduction data set scheduled to be effective December 16, 2002. The target audience is the 6900 home health agencies, home health provider associations, state survey agencies, and regional offices. The broadcast will consist of a review of the proposed changes CMS plans to make to OASIS that reduce regulatory burden in response to Health and Human Services' Secretary Thompson's Advisory Committee on Regulatory Reform. We will also discuss the changes to the draft OASIS-B1 (12/2002) data set, the Patient Tracking Sheet, OASIS Diagnostic Reporting introducing M0245, the changes to HAVEN and the state system, an overview of the enhanced HHA survey protocols, and discuss the use of the Federal HHA Branch Identification numbers.

The presenters for this broadcast will include staff from CMS, Center for Health Services Research, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, and the Iowa Foundation for Medical Care. The broadcast will consist of pre-recorded and live presentations followed by a live question and answer session, via phone and fax.

To register as a group or an individual, you must register at the CMS Course Delivery System at: http://cms.internetstreaming.com. There are two ways to register: 1) as an individual, or 2) as a site. Each individual must log-in to view the web cast, access course options, and receive CEUs for viewing this broadcast. Only those who are hosting the program should register as a site. Coordinates are located in the Facilitator information box at the registration website. Participants who are going to a site to view the program or watching it via the Internet web cast need to register only as an "Individual." Individuals do not need the coordinates. There is no pre-test or post-test.

This satellite or web cast is mandatory viewing for Regional office and State survey agency OASIS Coordinators, HHA surveyors and their supervisors.

An agenda with links to handout material is below. Click on the Topic sessions to download handouts by speaker.

AGENDA Presenters and Topics

Time (EST)	Topic	Presenter
1:00-1:05 p.m.	Welcome and Introduction	Jennifer Boulanger, Deputy Director
		Health Plans, CBC
1:05-1:20 p.m.	Overview of changes	Mary Weakland, Nurse Consultant Division of Continuing Care Providers, CMSO
1:25-1:40 p.m.	Data Set Changes and Patient Tracking Sheet	David Hittle, PH.D Center for Health Services Research, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center

1:40-1:55 p.m.	OASIS Diagnosis Reporting	Kathleen Walch, Nurse Consultant Division of Community Post Acute Care, CMM
1:55-2:15 p.m.	State system changes and HAVEN 6.0	Mary Cox, Product Coordination Manager Iowa Foundation for Medical Care
2:15– 2:30 p.m.	Live Q&A Session	Moderator
2:30 – 3:00 p.m.	Enhanced Survey Protocol Guidance	Mavis Connolly, Technical Director Division of Continuing Care Providers, CMSO Tracey Mummert, Special Assistant Survey and Certification Group, CMSO
3:00 – 3:10 p.m.	Branch Identification	Tracey Mummert, Special Assistant Survey and Certification Group, CMSO
3:10-3:25 p.m.	Live Q&A Session	Moderator
3:30 p.m.	Broadcast Closing	Moderator

To access the live question and answer sessions only, please use the following numbers:

Phone (800) 953-2233

Fax (410) 786-0123.

Biography of Presenters

Jennifer Boulanger, M.S.P

Jennifer Boulanger is the Deputy Director for Health Plans of the Center for Beneficiary Choices and is responsible for overseeing Medicare private health plan policy and management, beneficiary enrollment, Medicare demonstrations and grievance and appeals functions. Before taking the position with the Center for Beneficiary Choices, Ms. Boulanger served in CMS' Office of Legislation directing the Part A Analysis staff. Prior to the Office of Legislation, Ms. Boulanger held a number of other positions within CMS both in Washington and Baltimore and worked at the Prospective Payment Assessment Commission. Ms. Boulanger received a Masters of Public Policy from the Ford School at the University of Michigan and a B.A. degree in Political Science from the University of Washington.

Mavis Connolly, R.N., M.S.W.

Mavis Connolly is the technical director in the Division of Continuing Care Providers in the Center for Medicaid and State Operations. She is responsible for providing technical direction to staff and managers responsible for the survey and certification activities of home health and hospice providers. She has been with CMS since 1991. Mavis received her BA from Salve Regina University in Rhode Island and a master of social work degree from the University of Connecticut. She is licensed as a registered nurse in Maryland. Prior to her work at CMS, Mavis worked in a variety of positions, including management, teaching, social work, and nursing.

Mary Cox, R.N., C.

Mary Cox has 27 years experience as a Registered Nurse and became certified as a Gerontological Nurse in December 1992. She joined the Iowa Foundation for Medical Care in June of 1985. Prior to her tenure with the IFMC, she spent 6 1/2 years as a Director of Nursing at a long-term care facility. She has presented numerous workshops and in-services relating to quality health care for the elderly in long term care settings. In her current position, Ms. Cox is responsible for coordinating the testing, training, documentation, and subject matter help desk support for the MDS, OASIS, IRF-PAI, and Swing Bed State and National systems, as well as the testing and subject matter help desk support for the data entry software provided by CMS for those providers.

David Hittle, PH.D

David F. Hittle has over 15 years' experience in health services research, including home health, swing-bed, and nursing home studies. He also has extensive experience with Medicare data sets, including knowledge of the state-level oasis system, the national oasis repository, and plans for monitoring the accuracy of oasis data.

Tracey Mummert, BS, MT (ASCP)

Tracey is a registered Medical Technologist with 9 years of diagnostic laboratory experience, including 3 years as a Chief Technologist at a large laboratory in Maryland. Prior to coming to CMS, Tracey was a manufacturer's representative selling laboratory products and instrumentation throughout Maryland.

Tracey has been with the CMS central office in Baltimore for 11 years as a liaison to the state surveyors. She has worked on the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) program, the hospital program, the dialysis program, the home health program, including OASIS, and the survey and certification front office. Tracey has received numerous special achievement awards and citations over the years for her work with the Medicare program.

Kathleen Walch, R.N., BSN

Kathleen Walch is a graduate of the University of Detroit, Mercy. She accepted her position as Nurse Consultant with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services in 1999, after working for 15 years as a Home Health Nurse. Her work at CMS, as a Nurse Consultant, spans a variety of home health policy topics, including ICD-9-CM.

Mary Weakland, R.N., M.S.

Mary is a Nurse Consultant in the Center for Medicaid and State Operations and is project manager for the national implementation of the Outcome and Assessment Information Set (OASIS) for home health agencies. At CMS for 7 years, Mary develops OASIS policy, oversees CMS OASIS web page, and develops a variety of training materials for the States and home health agencies. Prior to her current OASIS responsibilities, Mary worked on the Minimum Data Set (MDS) automation project for long-term care facilities, MDS training, and swing bed hospitals. Mary has held clinical and administrative positions in home health agencies, health maintenance organizations, nursing education, and clinical nursing positions in a variety of settings. Mary is licensed as a Registered Nurse in Maryland and holds a master's degree from the University of Maryland and a bachelor's degree from the Pennsylvania State University.

OASIS-Burden Reduction Satellite Broadcast TECHNICAL FACT SHEET

DATE: November 22, 2002

TEST TIME: 12:30 - 1:00 p.m. EST

11:30 - 12:00 p.m. CST 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. MST 9:30 - 10:00 a.m. PST

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Webcast Information

This program will have a live Web cast and will be archived at the aforementioned website up to one year following the original transmission date of the broadcast.

Satellite Technical Specifications

This broadcast will be available on C and Ku Digicipher bands. Specific satellite technical specifications are available at http://cms.internetstreaming.com

Handouts

Can be downloaded from the Agenda by clicking on the Topic of the individual speakers.

Videotapes:

Videotaped copies of this program can be obtained from the National Technical Information Services 2 weeks following the transmission of this broadcast. The telephone number is (703) 605-6186.